

## WHITE GIRL GIVEN AWFUL "THIRD DEGREE" WHILE KNEELING BEFORE DEAD BODY OF MURDERED CHINESE HUSBAND

Remarkable Oriental Murder Mystery in Chicago Chinatown Recalls Slaying of Elsie Sigel and Starts National Probe of the Chinese Crime and Opium Smuggling.

CHICAGO, Sept. 10.—Alice Davis Sing, white wife of murdered Charlie Sing, entered a stockyard morgue in the custody of detectives.

It was the critical moment in the most remarkable Chinese murder case since the killing of Elsie Sigel, with which it is strangely connected.

Mrs. Sing started as she saw the body of her slain husband lying before her, with a picture of the Annunciation at his head and a Bible at his feet. Then she sank to her knees and kissed the cold lips.

Christian training and civilization fell away, and she turned all oriental. "Charlie," she whispered, slipping into pidgin English, "you po dead, Charlie—tell me you no dead!"

Then the "third degree" began. The place of mourning changed to a twentieth century inquisition. The detectives raised her and pointed accusing fingers.

"You killed him, didn't you?"

"You saw him killed?"

"You know who did it?"

"You were there, weren't you?"

She moaned in apathy. At last she moaned:

"Oh, go way. I not know anything. I not know he dead. Please go away from me!"

For nine hours the pitiless probing of her soul went on, but her acquired oriental calm stoom the ordeal. Then they led her to jail and charged her with the murder of her husband.

It was a strange ending for pretty Alice Davis, who started as a Christian missionary missionary among the Chinese of Kansas City.

When the Elsie Sigel murder case was engrossing national attention and the dragnet was out for Leon Sing, her slayer, Alice volunteered to search the Kansas City Chinatown as a detective. She penetrated the secret places of that Chinatown—and never returned.

After a while she appeared in Chicago as the wife of Charlie Sing, a prosperous restaurateur, and lived with him in a quaint oriental cottage on Archer av.

A few nights ago Josie Modelski, maid at the Sing home, was awakened by a faint tapping on her door, and a feeble voice calling "Josie, Josie!"

She opened, and there stood Mrs. Sing, in night attire. The woman looked wild, then fell to the floor. In the darkened hallway the maid saw signs of violence. In the parlor she stumbled over Sing, dying, his throat slit with a dagger.

Police, drawn by her shrieks, ran up and found the body in the doorway. It had been moved after she left the room.

They searched, and found only the unconscious Mrs. Sing—and blood-stained footprints and fingermarks all



MRS. ALICE DAVIS SING AND HER DEAD CHINESE HUSBAND.

over the house, revealing a terrific struggle. Some of the footprints, they say, showed a man's shoe, the others bore traces of bare feet.

Now the police are scouring the country for "George Der Norn," a Chinaman whose real name is Der Yuen. He is said to have been friendly with Mrs. Sing and there are rumors that Sing was jealous.

In Norn's quarters was found a "black book" that still further complicates the case. It bears the weird zebu calf symbol of the Hip Sing Tong, and appears to be a directory of crime, covering a dozen cities.

Owing to this "black book" and other features of the case, A. Camminetti, federal commissioner of immigration, has ordered an investigation of national scope to drag forth the secrets of Chinese "underground railways," white slave traffic and opium smuggling.

### ENGLISH ANXIOUS TO REGAIN POLO TITLE

LONDON, Sept. 10.—The Harlingham club of London, the polo organization, is preparing a challenge for another international polo match with the Americans. The date which will ask for dates early in June will be sent to New York within a week or two. The backers of the polo team here are ready to expend at least \$100,000 on some new polo ponies and the British Isles, Australia and even South Africa are being scoured for mounts.

### BABY SPANISH PRINCESS IS NOW TOTALLY DEAF

MADRID, Sept. 10.—Another cloud of sorrow has settled down upon the royal house of Spain. It was learned today that little Princess Marie Christina, aged two, has become totally deaf and is gradually losing her power of speech. Her five-year-old brother, Prince Jaime, is deaf and dumb. Queen Victoria is heartbroken and for 3 weeks she has daily prayed for an hour in the chapel of the castle, imploring divine intervention against the appalling affliction.

Special prayers are also being said throughout the city. King Alfonso and Queen Victoria now have five children, the last child being born June 19, 1911. Three are sons, and two daughters. Another child was still born.

### FLOODS IN SPAIN COST LIVES OF 30 PERSONS

MADRID, Sept. 10.—Thirty persons at least, have been drowned within the past 48 hours throughout Spain in floods. In some places cloudbursts have resulted in a rise of nine feet in the rivers.

### FINDS FORTUNE BURIED.

SHIPMAN, Ill., Sept. 10.—On his deathbed recently, Clayton B. Kelia, a man eccentric, farmer, confided to his brother, Henry, that at various places on the farm was buried considerable sums of money which he could have for the digging. The brother found \$9,000 in gold and \$1,000 in bills.

### TERRIERS GO AT SACRIFICE

CHICAGO, Sept. 10.—Twenty-eight pedigreed airdale terriers valued at \$25,000, were sold at auction here for \$1,400. The highest price paid was \$200.

### EAT ONIONS AND GO CALLING: ITS SAFE NOW, SAYS MILLER

ST. CLAIRSVILLE, Ohio, Sept. 10.—W. N. Miller former county commissioner declares he has discovered an onion that leaves no taint on the breath. This triumph of horticultural hybridizing was achieved, he asserts, by combining the Bermuda and the Golden Yellow.

### HE LOOPS THE LOOP IN AIR.

LONDON, Sept. 10.—Kent, an English airman, unwillingly duplicated the feats of Pegoud the French aviator, in turning somersaults with his machine in the air. Kent lost control when 2,000 feet in the air, turned four complete somersaults, but regained control and landed safely.

### 2,000 ACRES ON BLOCK.

LAPORTE, Sept. 10.—The biggest land sale ever held in Laporte county will take place Oct. 7, when thirty-eight tracts of land belonging to the LaCrosse Land company, an Illinois corporation, will be sold at public auction. The land contains 2,000 acres and is in parcels of from five to 300 acres.

### ATHLETES FROM MANY LANDS.

BERLIN, Sept. 10.—Definite assurance has been given to James E. Sullivan, secretary of the American amateur athletic union, that teams from Great Britain, France, Germany, Russia, Finland, Denmark, Sweden and Austria will participate in the athletic meet to be staged in 1915 at the Panama-Pacific exposition.

### TO HOLD SHOW.

LAPORTE, Sept. 10.—Twenty members of the Laporte Poultry association have guaranteed that a show will be given this year. These members have agreed to contribute \$10 each toward the show.

### CIDER PRESS.

Now running at Pluckeytown Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, Home 4398, Clarence E. Smith.

### CROP CONDITIONS.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 10.—The crop reporting board, department of agriculture Tuesday estimated the condition of crops as follows:

Conditions Sept. 1, 1913	Sept. 1, 1912	Acres
Corn 65.1	82.1	106,884,000
Winter Wt 55.1	55.1	30,938,000
Spring Wt 75.3	90.8	18,663,000
Oats 75.5	92.2	28,341,000

The yields indicated by the conditions of crops in 1913, and 1912, and final yields in preceding years for comparison follow:

Yield per acre	Product
1913	1912 in mil. bu.

Corn 22.2	29.2	2,351
Winter Wheat 16.5	15.1	511
Spring Wheat 15.7	17.2	243
All Wheat 15.2	15.9	754
Oats 27.8	27.8	1,063

Quality of the hay crop is 91.7 against 92.1 last year and a 10-year average of 91.7.

### RESIGNS JOB.

LAPORTE, Sept. 10.—Ezra Shoecraft, city engineer and member of the city board of works, Tuesday morning presented his resignation to Mayor Darrow to take effect Sept. 1. He has been appointed city engineer at Flint, Mich., and will go to his new job next week. The new position pays a salary of \$3,000 a year. The resignation was accepted and L. D. Goddard, assistant engineer and a graduate of Ann Arbor, Mich., was appointed to fill the unexpired term.

### MAYOR'S GIRL, HERO.

LAPORTE, Sept. 10.—Miss Dorothy Darrow, daughter of Mayor and Mrs. Samuel Darrow, appeared in the role of a rescuer Tuesday afternoon when she drove her automobile at top speed for a distance of five miles, taking Stanley Dysard to a doctor. The man, who lives south of this city, had been cut while fixing feed for a silo.

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### STATE NEWS

### IN DOUBT ABOUT HOW TO CHOOSE WORKS BOARD

LAPORTE, Sept. 10.—The question of what the 1913 statutes contemplate in regard to the appointment of members of the board of works in the fourth class came up for discussion at the meeting of the council Monday night. The section of the statutes which amends other sections of the city and towns laws says that there shall be three members of the board of public works whose salaries shall not be less than \$1,200 a year. Under the old law the mayor, city engineer and a third member acted as members of the board. The members of the council were wondering if the new law contemplated changing this. No interpretation of the law has been had in this city and in view of the approaching campaign considerable interest has been displayed.

### LAPORTE GROWING.

LAPORTE, Sept. 10.—The population of the city has not decreased if the enrollment of the students at the city schools can be taken as a guide. The enrollment shows 100 more students in the schools than at the same time last year.

### TO CLOSE FACTORIES.

LAPORTE, Sept. 10.—All of the factories of the M. Rumely company, including the oil pull and thrasher plants of Laporte, the thrasher plants of Richmond, Ind., and aBille Creek, Mich., and the smaller factories located in other cities, will be closed for a short time this month to permit the taking of an inventory.

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